

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	§ Confirmation No.: <b>5263</b>
<b>Gregg BOGOSIAN</b>	§
<b>Julia P. O'NEIL</b>	§ Group Art Unit: <b>1652</b>
<b>Hong Q. SMITH</b>	§
Serial No.: <b>10/572,711</b>	§ Examiner: <b>Pak, Yong D.</b>
Filed: <b>March 20, 2006</b>	§ Atty. Dkt. No.: <b>11916.0059.PCUS01</b>
For: <b>PREVENTION OF INCORPORATION</b>	§
<b>OF NON-STANDARD AMINO ACIDS</b>	§
<b>INTO PROTEIN</b>	§

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 17, 2008**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 17, 2008, having a shortened three-month period for reply expiring January 17, 2009, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks. Concurrently filed with this response is a request for a one-month extension of time for responding to the Office Action by February 17, 2009. Further enclosed are certain NCBI protein database entries (7 in total) and copies of the decisions *Ex parte Kubin* (2007) and *Ex parte Heck* (2008). Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.